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**AMENDMENT**

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In response to the Office Action dated April 25, 2001, kindly enter the following amendments.

**In the Claims**

Please amend claim 99 as follows:

99. (Amended) A method for treating a mammal in need of therapeutic treatment comprising administering to said mammal

(a) an amount of a first compound, said first compound being amlodipine or a pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salt thereof; and